Remarks

Currently pending in the application are claims 1-4 and 6-21. In accordance with the telephone interview with Examiner Sergent held on November 17, 2004, Applicants submit herewith a declaration with comparative data. Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments, reconsideration by the Examiner, and advancement of the application to allowance.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request that the claims be allowed and the application pass to issuance. Although Applicants believe that no fees are due at this time, they authorize the Commissioner to charge any fees that may be required by this paper to Deposit Account 07-0153.

Respectfully submitted,

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